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Erin,

Thanks for compiling all the info and links, and especially for attaching the letter from DWR to the reviewers. We definitely need a strategy, particularly since it seems that tomorrow only the remaining unreleased chapters of the EIS will come out (WQ, EJ, etc) and then the HCP itself. I think I had been under the impression that newly revised chapters on purpose and need and alternatives would come out (correct me if I'm wrong on that). And, like Tom mentioned in our meeting this Monday, we (ERO) rarely review the HCPs themselves and only review the EISs (I actually am unsure of any case where we have read the HCP). All new territory for me but I'm anxious to keep learning.

Thanks for getting us all on the same page.

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Hi Everyone,

A number of items to flag for everyone on BDCP.

1. Admin draft review. Attached is a letter from DWR to Admin Draft reviewers. Internally, we need to discuss our strategy for admin draft review (it is ~6K pages) and input on the Admin Draft per our role as a federal cooperating agency, NEPA rating, and CWA integration. Admin draft EIS chapters are available now to federal agencies (Karen has access) and they'll be available tomorrow here <http://baydeltaconservationplan.com/Library/DocumentsLandingPage.aspx>. A nice colleague at NMFS may make me a DVD copy of what she has today.
2. Proposed project announcement. The attached document (Key Elements -Priority timing 2-28-12

ELF NOTES TRCK CHNGS.docx) outlines a dispute resolution process to address priority outstanding issues on which consensus eludes the three levels of government and stakeholders. This process is a schedule for addressing key BDCP elements for Brown's July announcement of a proposed project. This is not a public document; please do not distribute it. My notes from the IMT meeting this morning are added. We should discuss internally how we are going to participate in this process and how it connects to the issues listed above.

3. Biological Goals and Objectives. NMFS, FWS, and CDFG have produced biological goals and objectives documents for a few of the covered species (see attached on spring run, winter run, steelhead) as an alternative to the biological goals and objectives proposed by Delta Conveyance applicants (DWR & State and Federal Water Contractors).

DWR will make ICF available for technical meetings to discuss G & O.

Mike C. & Mike T will start iBAT (interagency biological a-something assessment? analysis? team. there isn't an ap for it) meetings in two weeks to produce G & O for the rest of the species.

ICF will talk about G & O on 3/1/12 meeting.

4. BDCP Effects Analysis & Conclusions. ICF power point on the BDCP Effects Analysis will be sent to IMT and I'll send it out if I receive it. It may go to Karen and I'm sure she'll send it around. We should discuss the conclusions.

5. E/I Ratio. An issue surfaced a year ago about how DWR is calculating the E/I ratio in model runs for the preliminary proposed project. The issue is explained in the Jan 26 2012 "Waypoints" document attached. We should review & discuss. My quick understanding (it might not be accurate) is that DWR calculated exports south of north delta intakes so that any water extracted from north delta intakes is not included in the calculation of exports.

Some of the ideas I have about the pre-admin draft review and comments we provide are:

We can start w/ our last set of NEPA comments available here

([http://www.epa.gov/region9/water/watershed/sfbay-delta/pdf/EPA\\_Comments\\_BDCP\\_3rdNO\\_051409.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/region9/water/watershed/sfbay-delta/pdf/EPA_Comments_BDCP_3rdNO_051409.pdf)) and here (<http://www.epa.gov/region9/water/watershed/sfbay-delta/pdf/EpaR9CommentsBdcpPurpStmt6-10-2010.pdf>)

We can include comments regarding NEPA/CWA integration (Project purpose, CWA JD, etc....)?

We should coordinate with State and Regional Boards about key water quality standards, 401 cert, and TMDLs and address them in our feedback to DWR.

That is enough for now.

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(See attached file: Agenda 2-28-12.docx)

(See attached file: BDCP Working Draft Review ltr Feb 27 2012.pdf)

Hi Erin,

Here is the info for tomorrow's mtg. Thanks, FB

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Subject: IMT Mtg Agenda and handout

Hello,

Attached for your information is a meeting agenda and handout for tomorrow's IMT mtg.. Mtg logistics as follows:

IMT Meeting

February 28, 2012

9:30am - 12:00Noon

Bonderson Bldg

Conference Room 422 Or

Conference Line: 866-618-5350 Passcode:2295361#

See you tomorrow. Thanks, FB[attachment "Agenda 2-28-12.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "BDCP Working Draft Review ltr Feb 27 2012.pdf" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "Key Elements -Priority timing 2-28-12 ELF NOTES TRCK CHNGS.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "Spring Run G&Os\_Diversity Focus.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "Steelhead G&Os\_Diversity Focus.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "Waypoints Doc Jan\_26\_2012\_Draft.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US] [attachment "Winter-Run G&Os\_Diversity Focus.docx" deleted by Stephanie Skophammer/R9/USEPA/US]